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ANALGESIC ACTIVITY AND PROCESS FOR THEIR
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application and the calculation of the filing fee, Applicants submit the following amendments to the claims:

IN THE CLAIMS:

On page 28, line 1, please delete "CLAIMS" and insert instead thereof -- What Is Claimed Is: --.

Please delete claims 11-18.

Please add the following new claims 19-30:

5. 19. A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one nitric acid compound as claimed in claim 1 and a pharmaceutical acceptable carrier.